

CULTURAL RESOURCES

The Kā'anapali Beach project is co-sponsored by the State of Hawai'i and the Kā'anapali Operators Association. The proposed project includes beach restoration activities along nearly 7,500 feet of beach. Approximately 50,000 c.y. of sand would build the beach wider between Hanaka'ō'ō Beach Park and Hanaka'ō'ō Point, and nearly 25,000 c.y. of sand would be placed on the dry beach between Hanaka'ō'ō Point and Pu'u Keka'a.

Pu'u Keka'a

Pu'u Keka'a is considered a leina a ka uhane (a place where deceased spirits pass into the afterlife), with an intangible boundary that may extend beyond the cliff itself. The offshore sand deposit is not expected to have the potential to contain archaeological materials or burials as it is actively mobile sand. No excavation of the dry beach or dunes is proposed.

Barges will stay well offshore of surf and snorkeling sites during transit. Beach users should not approach any equipment in the water. Fishing and gathering areas will be temporarily inaccessible within the active construction areas.

Outriggers



Outrigger canoe paddling is concentrated at Hanaka'ō'ō Beach Park (Canoe Beach). Three canoe clubs hold practices and store canoes at the beach. The clubs host and participate in regattas every year. Their regatta racecourse is within the general project area. **The beach nourishment portion of the project in their vicinity will occur in late fall and will last approximately 35-55 days.** Practice areas at the Beach Park may be temporarily disrupted as equipment brings sand to the shoreline; however, there will always be access paths for paddlers and canoes to and from the water. Additional beach width will improve flood protection and decrease wave exposure to the canoe hale and canoes stored on the ground.

Temporary

Temporary impacts to shoreline and nearshore fishing, spearfishing, gathering, contemplation, and coastal lateral access will be experienced as the project moves down the coastline. Only the areas actively receiving or transporting sand will be impacted. These interruptions will be short-term, ending entirely with completion of the project. Following completion of the project, the coastline and nearshore waters will be available for use.



An archaeological site – the Hanaka'ō'ō grinding stones – has been identified near the south end of the project area, **outside of the sand placement footprint.** The hoana, or grindstones, were used to shape and sharpen traditional Hawaiian adzes. The site is located among a cluster of basalt boulders on the Hanaka'ō'ō Park beach, approximately 30 feet west of the park bathrooms. **No project work will impact this site.**

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